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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Board of Public Utilities

Two Gateway Center Newark, NJ 07102

		<u>TELECOMMUNICATIONS</u>
IN THE MATTER OF A SUPPLEMENT TO UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF NEW JERSEY, INC. TARIFF N.J.B.P.U. NO. 4 ELIMINATING HIGH CAPACITY DSO TO SUBRATE CENTRAL OFFICE MULTIPLEXING))))	ORDER OF APPROVAL DOCKET NO. TT00030212

(SERVICE LIST ATTACHED)

BY THE BOARD:

On March 21, 2000, United Telephone Company of New Jersey, Inc. (Petitioner or United) filed a proposal to eliminate from its Tariff N.J.B. P.U. No. 4, High Capacity DSO to Subrate Central Office Multiplexing. This service, originally introduced in 1991, permitted the user to convert a 64 kbps channel into a number of 2.4 kbps, 4.8 kbps, or 9.6 kbps channels through the use of digital time division multiplexing.

As higher and higher digital data speeds have become available over the past ten years, the demand for the low speed channels provided by this service has disappeared. At the present time, as a result, United has no customers for this service and sees none on the horizon.

In view of the absence of customers, the lack of demand for this service, and the continual growth in demand for the availability of higher speed services, the

discontinuance of this service would not affect the offering of safe, adequate, or proper service by United. Therefore the Board <u>ORDERS</u> that United be permitted to eliminate this service.

DATED: 5/06/02 **BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES** BY:

(signed) JEANNE M. FOX **PRESIDENT**

(signed) FREDERICK F. BUTLER **COMMISSIONER**

(signed) CAROL J. MURPHY **COMMISSIONER**

(signed) CONNIE O. HUGHES **COMMISSIONER**

ATTEST:

(signed) KRISTI IZZO **BOARD SECRETARY**